

Unapproved Draft
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE
COMSEWOGUE PUBLIC LIBRARY, PORT JEFFERSON STATION, NEW YORK
OCTOBER 20, 2026

President Spence called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Trustee DeStefano

Trustee Spence

Trustee Nickeson

Trustee Olson

Assistant Director Andrea Malchiodi

Director Engelhardt

ABSENT WITH NOTIFICATION:

ALSO PRESENT: Members of the public.

GUEST: Library Auditor Jill Sanders, Cullen and Danowski

Trustee Spence conducted the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOTION by Trustee Olson, seconded by Trustee Nickeson, to advance to section E-3 of the agenda (Makerspace Initiative Update). Discussion followed. Approved unanimously.

The Board toured the Makerspace area.

Library Auditor Sanders arrived for her presentation and discussion with the Board at 6:20 p.m.

MOTION by Trustee Olson, seconded by Trustee DeStefano, to advance to section L-1 of the agenda (Annual Financial Statement & Audit 2025/26 Presentation). Discussion followed. Approved unanimously.

Library Auditor Sanders left after her presentation and discussion with the Board.

MOTION by Trustee DeStefano, seconded by Trustee Nickeson, to accept the Annual Financial Statement and Audit as prepared and presented by Jill Sanders, CPA of Cullen & Danowski, LLP for fiscal year ending June 30, 2026. Discussion followed. Approved unanimously.

MOTION by Trustee Nickeson, seconded by Trustee Olson, to return to the regular order of the agenda. Discussion followed. Approved unanimously.

MOTION by Trustee DeStefano, seconded by Trustee Nickeson, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on September 15, 2026. Discussion followed. Approved unanimously.

There was no correspondence for the Board.

MOTION by Trustee Olson, seconded by Trustee DeStefano, to accept the Director's Report dated October 2026. Discussion followed. Approved unanimously.

MOTION by Trustee Nickeson, seconded by Trustee Olson, to accept the Personnel Report dated October 20, 2026. Discussion followed. Approved unanimously.

There were no questions or statements from the public.

MOTION by Trustee Nickeson, seconded by Trustee Olson, to accept the Financial Reports for the period ending August 31, 2026, as prepared by the Library District Treasurer. Discussion followed. Approved unanimously.

MOTION by Trustee DeStefano, seconded by Trustee Olson, to approve warrant 10/26/1, dated October 20, 2026, in the amount of \$199,104.32. Discussion followed. Approved unanimously.

MOTION by Trustee Olson, seconded by Trustee Nickeson, to accept the payroll and payroll warrants for September 24, 2026 (\$129,672.51) and October 8, 2026 (\$122,741.99). Discussion followed. Approved unanimously.

There are no reports from standing committees.

MOTION by Trustee Nickeson, seconded by Trustee Olson, to enter into executive session to discuss matters leading to a Trustee appointment of a particular individual. Discussion followed. Approved unanimously.

MOTION by Trustee Olson, seconded by Trustee DeStefano, to adjourn executive session and return to the regular meeting. Discussion followed. Approved unanimously.

MOTION by Trustee DeStefano, seconded by Trustee Olson, to accept the resignation of Ashley Geiser (effective September 18, 2026) with thanks for service rendered. Discussion followed. Approved unanimously.

The Library Board reviewed the dates of upcoming regular board meetings and schedule of Audit of Claims by Trustee.

There were no questions or statements from the public.

MOTION by Trustee Spence, seconded by Trustee Nickeson, to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 P.M. Approved unanimously.

Secretary, Board of Trustees